

JOSEPH EATON.

JANUARY 3, 1832.

Mr. DRAYTON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, made the following
REPORT:

The Committee on Military Affairs, to whom was referred the memorial of Joseph Eaton, an Assistant Surgeon in the army of the United States, report:

That the memorialist was ordered upon duty at Fort Preble, in Maine, and as there were no quarters at the post fit for his accommodation, he was, for a certain period, furnished with a room in the town of Portland; that he subsequently received an order to repair to the fort, but, from the cause already stated, he was under the necessity of hiring a room for his quarters: he therefore asks to be reimbursed the sums which he has expended in paying for quarters, out of his private funds, which the Government was bound to furnish him with.

The fact that there was no room at Fort Preble which was fitted for the accommodation of the memorialist, is certified by the Inspectors General Archer, Wool, and Croghan; by the commanding officer of the post; the Assistant Quartermaster; by Major General Scott, when on a tour of inspection, and by a number of the officers in the service of the United States. The committee, therefore, have reported a bill, granting to the memorialist the sum of seven hundred and eighty-five dollars and twenty-one cents, being at the rate of \$140 a year, from 1st September, 1821, to 22d July, 1827—the memorialist having paid that amount for the hire of quarters, and having charged only what he has paid, which is less than he is entitled to under the regulations of the War Department.

